

THE HERALD-PRESS

Editorial Page

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The Times Merely Confirms The Suspicion

A federal district judge at New York City has scheduled a hearing for Friday morning on whether to issue a permanent injunction restraining further publication of a top secret Pentagon assessment of how and why Uncle Sam became involved in Viet Nam.

The New York Times obtained a copy of the 47-volume report and has published four of a planned seven serializations of the report.

Judge Murray Gurfein who had just gone on the federal bench a few days ago granted a Justice Department petition Tuesday for a temporary injunction.

He declined, though, to accede to a further request to impound the documents from which the Times' editorial staff has drafted its stories.

Judge Gurfein in issuing the temporary order said the freedom of the press defense raised by the newspaper has to be balanced out against considerations of national security.

The government relies primarily on the anti-sedition statutes making it a criminal offense to publish classified material.

The Justice Department lawyers argue that the four publications already have compromised some Defense Department codes; that the Communists are raking in propaganda hay on the disclosures, and that future negotiations with foreign countries may be in permanent jeopardy.

A fourth consideration is whether Nixon's efforts to unwind a war started by his political opposites may go out the window.

While the government attorneys probably have the legalistic upper hand and their arguments for freezing further disclosure may be diplomatically sound, as a practical matter The Times is simply printing what most Americans have felt for some time and which many knowledgeable outsiders were saying long before this general suspicion became dominant.

In June, 1967, Robert S. McNamara, the Defense Secretary and a principal architect in the Viet Nam assault, found misgivings on his earlier judgment.

A month earlier, his assistant, John T. McNaughton, had forwarded him a note stating that the public was beginning to believe The Establishment had lost its mind.

McNamara commissioned 30 to 40 top military and civilian personnel, not all of them confined to the Defense Department, to assemble a study of how the U.S. involvement arose. Many of whom he called upon were planners of what they were now being required to assess.

Their research went back to World War II when the Japanese evicted the French from the latter's Indo-China colonies and came forward to LBJ's time.

The synopsis of their writings so far published by The Times recounts nothing particularly new.

The novelty exists simply because few Americans paid much attention to innumerable commentaries by civilian reporters as

their words were printed from time to time.

Viet Nam did not happen overnight as did Pearl Harbor. It crept up on us.

Its unfolding was like watching the neighbor's cat maneuvering in the garden. The onlooker sees but really does not comprehend kitty's graceful steps until he hears a bird squawk.

The Times' stories simply compress this unobserved sequel into a headline shocker.

Starting with Truman and continuing with Eisenhower, the White House experienced an uneasiness over Southeast Asia.

At first it was the worry about France's ability to hold her restored colonies and when that incapacity became a fact in 1954, then it was the newer worry on the natives' ability to fend for themselves.

Kennedy began a modest military reinforcement of the economic and technical assistance sent in by Eisenhower and Truman.

LBJ's consultants enfiladed him with conflicting advice.

One group, headed by McNamara, counseled that the U.S. presence in substantial force could more than handle the Commie threat; it could evaporate the Red presence.

An opposing unit, almost entirely military in its composition, followed the all or nothing approach. Substantial force would be insufficient. Overwhelming strength must be applied. As the alternative to that, sail back home.

Johnson and to a lesser degree, Kennedy, first tried the politician's natural tendency to steer between extreme positions.

A strike here, another blow over there, hoping the enemy would be impressed, was the initial strategy.

The limited effort failed and in 1965 LBJ swung toward but not quite up to the all out assault.

This yielded a Pyrrhic victory and it was the comprehension of this failure which changed McNamara from a hawk among hawks into a Doubting Thomas.

By mid-1967 Viet Nam was a problem in how to extricate the U.S. as gracefully as possible.

Foreign governments were well aware of this from the outset, as were a few hardy souls in the U.S. who were the first to challenge our policy.

From that standpoint The Times is not printing what others had sensed previously and also published.

The solar plexus aspect in the newspaper's stories is the concealment of an anguished pursuit sustained really by a flickering hope that somehow the course might prove out itself.

Infallibility is no more a trade mark of government than it is for an individual.

Now that the cat is more than halfway out of the bag, he might as well emerge all the way.

Hudson's Bay Company wool blankets, woven in England, still have 4 or 3½ lines in one corner. The marking originally meant that the blanket sold for 4 or 3½ beaver pelts in Arctic trading posts.



GLANCING BACKWARDS

BENDIX EXPANSION ON SCHEDULE

—1 Year Ago—

Construction of a 1,000-square-foot addition to manufacturing facilities at The Bendix Corporation's Hydraulics Division in Lincoln township, south of St. Joseph, is on schedule and will be completed in August, according to Richard Long, general manager of the division.

The additional facilities will create approximately 100 new jobs. Normal employment has been about 1,200.

SECRET REPORT DUE ON DOZER DEAL

—10 Years Ago—

The Tractors-for-Freedom committee has received a secret report from the four technicians who negotiated with Fidel Castro on his plan to exchange men for machines.

Evidently no decision was reached by the committee last night on whether to accept the Cuban prime minister's latest demands. He wants \$28 million worth of farm tractors for 1,167 Cuban rebels captured in their abortive invasion of Cuba April 17.

CAMP MADRON OPENS 16th SEASON SUNDAY

—10 Years Ago—

With a record season anticipated by Boy Scout officials, Camp Madron, near Buchanan, will be opened Sunday for the start of the camp's 16th season, according to an announcement made here today by Scout Executive Oscar Noll. The camp serves as summer headquarters for the entire Southwestern Michigan Boy Scout council.

Noll said today he was certain the camp attendance records established in previous years would be surpassed during this season.

EDITOR'S MAILBAG

Editor,
The Herald-Press:

DEDICATED TO DAVE FOERTSCH MY FRIEND

Dave — I never found the time before to speak the words that I speak now. And although it seems too late I want to say them anyhow.

... I have a friend... Oh, so lucky is the man Who can stand up and speak those words Hence, Lucky am I -- for I can.

Dreaming of the good times, I smile And then I cry when I see There will be no more times together and then it all seems so... so unreal.

I feel like a cupboard that's bare or like just another empty shelf For when you lose a friend You lose part of yourself.

To some it may sound funny but still, I should have said it before...

I loved you for being my friend And for letting me be yours.

ANONYMOUS

EDITOR'S NOTE : David

Foertsch is Brown school

road, St. Joseph, an honor

student at Purdue University,

died Monday from injuries re-

ceived in an Indiana auto crash

the day before. The above

verses in his memory were

written by a youth who was a

long-time friend and neighbor.

Adieu!



DR. COLEMAN

.. And Speaking Of Your Health

WHAT DO you know about the "invisible killer" near you when you drive?

Carbon monoxide is an odorless, tasteless, colorless, non-irritating gas that threatens the lives of those who do not properly protect themselves against its treachery.

Automobile exhausts pour out large quantities of this stealthy, deadly killer. In the open air, the Dr. Coleman gas is quickly diluted and therefore does not produce immediate serious effects.

However, the pollution of the air that surrounds us leaves its mark on the health of people by producing chronic bronchitis, emphysema, and other chronic respiratory conditions.

When this gas is trapped in a closed garage or within the automobile itself, it becomes a dangerous killer.

Carbon monoxide warnings must be heeded if this menace to life is to be avoided.

At this time of the year, in spring and summer when mass migrations by auto take place, vehicles must be freed of this hazard.

Every car must be checked for the possibility of carbon monoxide leakage.

Air vents in automobiles can sometimes pick up the deadly exhaust from the car in front of it, especially while going through tunnels. If you cannot

keep at a safe distance, shut off your own air vents.

Remember, too, that heaters and fans can also pick up another automobile's fumes and bring them into your car.

It is important to be able to recognize early symptoms of carbon monoxide poisoning when you are driving long distances. Children are especially sensitive to small quantities of this unseen gas.

Dizziness, headache, nausea, repeated yawning, a rapid pounding of the heart, sluggishness, and drowsiness must alert everyone to this potential danger.

On long drives get out of the automobile, walk, and aerate the lungs at regular intervals. This, incidentally, is good for the circulation, too.

Another important reason for carbon monoxide awareness is that the gas can reduce the driver's coordination and reflexes, setting the stage for accidents.

It is astonishing how many near-fatalities and fatalities still occur to people who start their automobiles in closed garages.

Even garage mechanics expose themselves needlessly. They, or all people, should know better.

Dr. Lester Coleman has a special eye-care booklet available for readers of this column called, "What You Should Know About Glaucoma and Cataracts." For your copy, send 25 cents in coin and a large, self-addressed 4-cent stamped envelope to Lester L. Coleman, M.D., in care of this newspaper. Please mention the booklet by title.

JAY BECKER

Contract Bridge

West dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH

♦J6
♦95
♦8542
♦76532

WEST

♦874

EAST

♦Q10 953

SOUTH

♦K963

AKJ8

♦Q9

THE bidding:

West North East South
♦K ♠ A ♣ 10 ♦ 4
2 ♠ Pass 2 ♣ 4 ♣ 4

Opening lead — king of clubs.

It is not difficult to make four hearts if you look at all four hands. All you have to do after West leads the A-K of clubs is ruff the jack, cash the A-K of spades, ruff a spade, then lead the nine of hearts and go up with the ace to snatch West's king out of mid-air. Eventually you lose a diamond, but you make ten tricks.

If you didn't see the East-West cards, you would go down one if you made the mistake of

RUTH RAMSEY

Today's Grab Bag

THE ANSWER QUICK!

- 1—What is the plural of ox?
- 2—What is the plural of deer?

—What is the plural of goose?

—What is the correct name for the cello?

—What country was once known as Iberia?

IT HAPPENED TODAY

On this day in 1954, the Army-McCarthy hearings came to an end after 36 days, two million words of testimony and 187 hours of television coverage.

IT'S BEEN SAID

No man ever became extremely wicked all at once.—Juvenal.

YOUR FUTURE

Your stellar influences should see fortune smiling on you and yours. Today's child will have a superlative brain.

BORN TODAY

The name of Arthur Stanley Jefferson is no laughing matter—until one knows that was the given name of Stan Laurel, the skinny one in the famed Laurel and Hardy comedies.

Laurel died in 1965 of a heart attack at the age of 74, but millions

the world over are still laughing at his antics—the rubber-faced, bearded, clumsy victim of circumstances whose "But, Ollie," appeal

was met with an exasperated look from his unhappy partner, Oliver Hardy.

WATCH YOUR LANGUAGE

O C U L A R—(OCK-yeh-ler)—adjective; of or pertaining to the eye.

HOW'D YOU MAKE OUT?

1—Oxen.

2—Deer.

3—Geese.

4—Violoncello.

5—Spain.

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ST. JOSEPH, MICH. THURSDAY, JUNE 17, 1971

Lakeshore Group Seeks New Vote On School Tax

An independent group of Lakeshore school district residents have formed a new organization to circulate petitions asking for another election seeking to raise 9.5 mills for school operating purposes.

Name of the group is the Lakeshore Committee for Better Education.

Approximately 600-plus signatures are needed to obtain the election, signatures of 10 per cent of the total number of registered voters are needed. Assistant Superintendent William Galbreath is checking this morning to determine what the specific required number will be.

Unofficial tallies from the election on a similar package

last Tuesday showed 1,386 opposed and 1,356 in favor. Another similar proposal was defeated in March by a 1,592 to 804 count.

The 9.5 mill package proposed a renewal of six mills and the addition of 3.5 mills. It would raise an expected \$595,000 for the projected school budget of \$2.8 million for 1971-72.

The committee chairman is Edward Strong, and co-chairmen are Don Goetz, Peter Vander Most, and George Schuch.

STATEMENT

In their statement, released this morning, the group said:

"The Lakeshore Committee for Better Education has been formed by a group of independent Lakeshore residents to get petitions circulated with the objective of getting a special village election scheduled in August."

The election will hopefully be successful in generating funds to maintain the high standards of education in Lakeshore."

Yerington Gets Napier Avenue Job

The John G. Yerington Concrete Co. of Benton Harbor was apparent low bidder Wednesday at \$348,772 to rebuild Napier avenue in the Fairplain area to a four-lane thoroughfare from near the M-139 intersection to near Colfax avenue.

Heath Calvin, engineer-manager of the Berrien County Road commission, said he expects construction will start in 30 to 45 days. However, county road crews will start installation some time next week of a 72-inch culvert at Willow creek, requiring Napier to be closed for approximately a week, he said. Napier will be kept open to traffic most of the time during the construction.

The Yerington firm was low among four bidders Wednesday when bids on the project were opened at the State Highway department headquarters in Lansing. Other bidders were: Titus Construction Co., Galesburg, \$378,815; Eisenhour Construction Co., East Lansing, \$379,714; Carl Goodwin & Sons, Allegan, \$412,084.

Completion of the .68 of a mile of four-lane pavement is set for Nov. 15.

Calvin said the county will pay half of the contract cost and a federal government will pay the other 50 per cent with federal aid to secondary road funds.

County crewd will build a temporary lane along the south edge of the present pavement. The temporary lane will be used for eastbound traffic and the present eastbound lane of the present roadway will carry westbound traffic, while the contractor builds two new lanes on the north side of the new roadbed. When the two new lanes are completed, traffic will be diverted onto them, and the two south lanes will be built.

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COMING BACK

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BH Student Going Home To Guatemala

By PAUL SHERRINGTON
Staff Writer

Luis Diaz will be going home June 25. Most people have very little trouble returning to the place where they were raised but for Luis, distance and costs have created problems.

His family lives in Que Zalte Nango, Guatemala, and Luis has spent the past five years studying in the Twin Cities area.

Since coming to stay with the Harry H. Schueneman, Jr., family, Box 358, East Napier avenue, Benton Harbor, Luis has been able to return to Guatemala only once. This was for a two-week visit in 1969.

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BH Grad Receives MD Degree

James C. Freier, son of Dr. and Mrs. George Freier, 1298 Colfax, Benton Harbor, has received a doctor of medicine degree from the University of Michigan School of Medicine.

A 1963 Benton Harbor high school graduate, Freier received a bachelor of arts degree from the University of Michigan in 1967. He was a member of the Delta Tau Delta fraternity as an undergraduate and Nu Sigma Nu as a medical student.

Freier is presently taking his internship with the Kaiser Foundation Teaching Hospital in Oakland, Calif. At the completion of this year he would like

to enter Public Health Service as a general practitioner.



DR. JAMES FREIER

Lakeshore CC Seeks Members

Lakeshore Chamber of Commerce teams are combing the South St. Joseph, Red Arrow highway, Stevensville and Randa area for new members.

The campaign was launched at a breakfast yesterday at Bella Villa restaurant. At noon the membership campaign workers met at McGrath's dining room to compare notes.

Membership chairman Paul Smith said early results were encouraging. The campaign will continue this week. A full report will be made at the chamber's regular meeting on June 28 at McGrath's.

Smith said the chamber is on the brink of achieving several of its long-pursued goals—that of a full interchange at I-94 and Red Arrow highway, erosion control, industrial development and water and sewage services. A strong chamber will be in a good position to exploit these gains, Smith told workers.

Members of the St. Joseph Merchants Association will be polled on changing the date of the Blossom Parade to avoid conflict with shopping on the Saturday before Mother's Day.

Announcement of the poll was made by Ted Bestervelt of Troost Brothers Furniture, newly elected chairman of the Merchants association.

Optional dates listed in the poll are Mother's Day itself on the second Sunday of May or the Saturday after Mother's Day. The parade is traditionally

on the second Saturday of May, the day before Mother's Day.

The only exception was several years ago when it was switched to the third Saturday of May and ran smack into the Holland Tulip Festival on the same date.

The poll also asks merchants for other suggested dates. Bestervelt was vice chairman of the association last year and succeeds Robert Fischer of Gem Shot Co. as chairman. New vice chairman is Robert Mackay of St. Joseph Savings &

Loan association. Elected to two-year terms on the Merchants association executive committee were Eunice Hughes, WSJM; Sally Dudas, Mi-Lady Shoppe, and Phil Medo, Herald-Press. Incumbent members of the executive committee are Fischer, Joseph Scrima, Edisan Youthful Shoes, and Dwight Edmunds, WHFB.

Medo, chairman of the merchants picnic, announced the annual outing will be Wednesday, June 23.

A high school student arrested during the riot at Benton Harbor high school Jan. 15 for assault and battery was sentenced Wednesday in Fifth District court.

Virgil Hatcher, 18, of 348 Brunson avenue, Benton Harbor, was sentenced to serve 30 days in jail, placed on two-year probation and assessed fine and cost of \$100 by Judge John T. Hammond.

Hatcher pleaded guilty May 5 to assault and battery against James DeWitt Jan. 15 at the high school. Hatcher was suspended from the high school for his part in the disturbance.

New president of Mainstreet Toastmasters is Frank Fello, 35, an accounting supervisor at Hydraulics division, Bendix Corp. and a two-year member of the club.

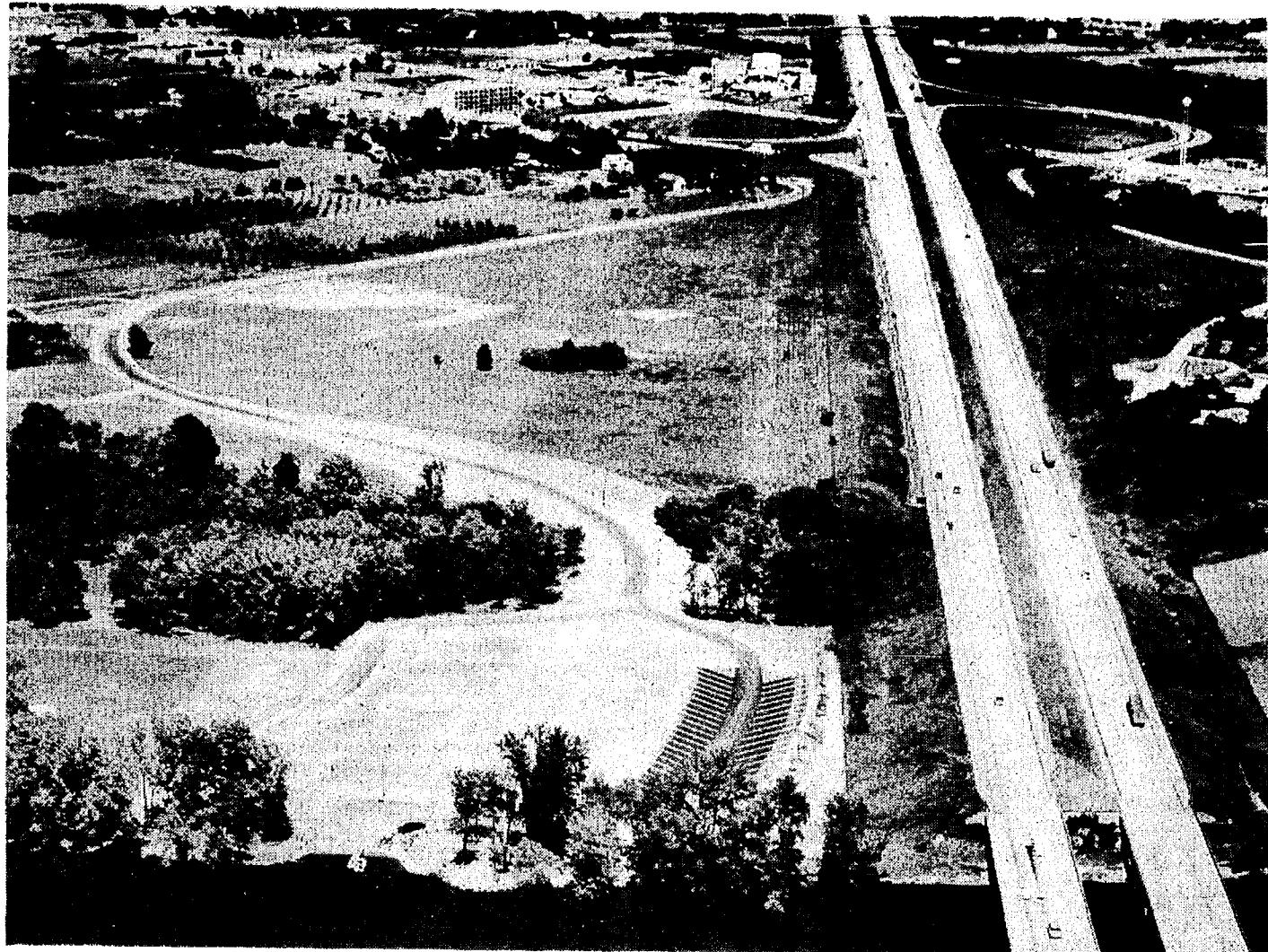
Fello was elected to the post last night at the club's regular meeting at the Chicken Nook, St. Joseph. He succeeds Lloyd Phillips who was elected sergeant at arms.

Other officers are Ken Hermann, educational vice president; Robert Kivel, administrative vice president; James Baxter, secretary and Robert Jansen, treasurer.

Fello said his first goal was to increase attendance and membership participation.

Fello, a 1943 graduate of St. Joseph Catholic High School (now Lake Michigan Catholic); attended Western Michigan University and Dartmouth College.

He and his wife, the former Mary Lou Scherer of Keeler, have six children. They live at 1000 Mohawk Lane, St. Joseph.



BENTON PARK TAKES SHAPE: Benton township and State Department of Natural Resources last week accepted work at township park from Contractor Construction Co. Work included paving, parking lot, lighting, landscaping and waterfront improvements at 58-acre park on St. Joseph river by I-94. It was covered by \$62,000 grant from DNR and in-kind services by township. Two launching ramps now serve boaters. Wayne Stevens, township administrative assistant, reported DNR says two additional ramps will be added and parking lot doubled in size to just over 100 spaces if use warrants. This picture taken in the middle of the week doesn't show heavy use park gets from boaters on weekends and evenings. Pending are construction of a shelter and installation of playground equipment under \$76,000 allocation from state recreation bond issue. Park is reached via Somerleyton road to Zollar drive. (Aerial photo by Adolph Hann)

On Market Option Contract

Developers Seek New Extension

A developer of the Old Market shopping center in Benton Harbor indicated last night that more time is needed to work out a performance schedule.

Atty. Robert P. Small, one of four principals, said the developers will meet June 24 with officials of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to seek an extension of the agreement which calls for exercising a purchase option by July 15.

Small reminded the city commission that last year it had agreed to extension of the option to Jan. 15, 1972. Small said HUD then shortened the extension by six months.

Preliminary plans were submitted June 15 to the Benton Harbor urban renewal office "without prejudice while we are in the process of working out a new performance schedule," Small told the commission.

Leslie Cripps, Benton Harbor director of urban development, said he had not had sufficient time to review the plans but they appeared similar to the bid

plans submitted in 1968. The bid plans called for construction of a climatized shopping center of some 30 stores on the 33 acres, formerly occupied by the Benton Harbor fruit market. Purchase price of the property is \$500,682 to a word which the developers have paid down \$25,000.

City Atty. Samuel Henderson said that filing of the preliminary plans on June 15 met provisions of the contract. The city has until July 15 to act on the plans at which time the developers must exercise the purchase option, according to the current contract, Henderson said.

These terms mean that by July 15 developers must furnish proof of equity capital to finance the project and complete payment for the land at which time they will receive the deed, according to Henderson's understanding.

The commission took no action last night, but John Kinney, developer of the office building complex, at 777 Riverview Drive, called for the city to expedite the Old Market project. Kinney said some people had understood that evidence of leases were to be submitted by June 15. Cripps said that was not true, only preliminary plans were required, but the next step would be evidence of equity capital.

Kinney urged that high class shops occupy Old Market. "We don't want discount houses."

Robertson's, a South Bend-based department store, is considered the anchor firm for Old

Market. Small told the commission that Robertson's is in the process of starting construction on a store in Elkhart and wants to open a Benton Harbor store about a year after the Elkhart opening.

The market area was cleared under urban renewal which is federally financed, hence the partnership of HUD in the program.

SJ Club Elects New President



FRANK FELLO

Youth Gets 30 Days In BHHS Riot

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Paw Paw Lake Sewer Project Bids Are High

Officials were busy looking for ways to arrange financing after construction bids for a \$12.1 million Paw Paw lake-area sewage collection and treatment system arrived Wednesday far above engineers' estimates on three out of four contracts.

Berrien county and Paw Paw lake area officials must come up with a decision soon or risk losing a \$2.1 million state-federal grant for a Paw Paw

river interceptor and a four-municipality sewage treatment plant. The grant is based on a June 30 deadline for awarding of construction contracts.

If officials miss that deadline the Paw Paw lake-area communities would forfeit the grant from 1970 funds and have to join a host of other communities seeking 1971 fund grants, said Thomas Sinn, Berrien county planning director.

Sewage collection systems in

likely will choose to award construction contracts to low bidders in order to beat the June 30 deadline, according to Atty. F.A. (Mike) Jones, counsel for the Paw Paw Lake Regional Planning commission. It acts as liaison between the county public works board and the cities and townships of Coloma and Watervliet.

The contract awards would be conditional on a bigger-than-planned bond sale, Jones said. Meanwhile, the communities would seek bigger state-federal grants, he said.

The Berrien county public works board, overseer of the collection and treatment system, opened construction bids Wednesday in the courthouse, St. Joseph, that showed:

An apparent low bid of \$3.8 million for Watervliet township's sewage collection system. Construction was estimated at \$2.7 million.

An apparent low bid of \$2.6 million for a sewage treatment plant serving the cities and townships of Watervliet and Coloma. It was estimated at \$2.3 million.

An apparent low bid of \$1.2 million for a major sewer interceptor along the Paw Paw river to the treatment plant. It was estimated at \$879,000.

An apparent low bid of \$3.4 million for a sewage collection system in Coloma township. It was estimated at \$3.4 million.

The public works board is scheduled to meet next Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. in the courthouse to receive and act on engineers' recommendations on the construction bids.

Meanwhile, the Paw Paw Lake Regional Planning commission will meet Monday at 7:30 p.m. in the Coloma township hall to discuss the bids and with an eye to obtaining increased government grants and a bigger-than-planned bond sale for the interceptor sewer.

There was no official explanation why bids came in far over estimates but Joseph (Jack) Craigmire, secretary of the Ann Arbor engineering firm of Ayres, Lewis, Norris and May, Inc., theorized it might be a result of contractors' expectations of rising costs plus apprehension in the wake of a contractor's suit against the County of Berrien over a disputed sewer line along Hickory creek south of St. Joseph.

About 30 persons attended a bidding opening for Watervliet township's sewage collection system calling for installation of about 109,000 feet of 6 through 21-inch sewer line plus 328 manholes and four sewage pump stations.

Richard H. Kraft Engineering, Inc., of Flint, estimated the job at \$2.7 million.

Bidders were: Reed and Noyce, Inc., Lansing, \$3,863,946, with a contractor's alternate totaling \$3,797,331; Holloway Sand & Gravel Co., Wixom, \$4,730,482 with an alternate of \$4,540,595; and Roger J. Au & Son, Inc., Mansfield, Ohio, \$6,380,035.

About 60 persons attended (See page 30, sec. 2, col. 4)



BURIED IN LITTER: Cans collected along Benton Harbor's Jean Klock park make a grave for Kay Hanson while the sextons are (from left) Shaune Mammina, Amy Hennes, Suzy Berliner and

Carlyn Klemm. The Benton Harbor area girls spent one of the first days of their summer vacation dramatizing the war against pollution. They also added to their tans. ((Staff photo))

Imperial Printing Of SJ

Firm Adopts 4-Day Week

By DICK DERRICK

SJ City Editor

Imperial Printing Co., Colonial Drive, St. Joseph, is the first major employer in the Twin Cities area to adopt 40-40 hours work in four days

— and the plan is expected to be started next week.

Mrs. Jeanne Dwan and her father, L. M. Cramblet, Imperial's top executives, announced the new work schedule for the firm's approximately 25 production employees, but said a heavy schedule of work necessitating overtime operations eliminated the possibility of starting it last week.

The plant may have to operate again this Friday and Saturday but the following week employees can start their Independence day weekend at

5:25 p.m. July 1. Mrs. Dwan said she became intrigued with the idea after reading accounts of its success in various parts of the country. She said when she first suggested the idea of packing five

days of work in four by working 10 hours a day no one in either management or production thought the other would go for it.

A committee of supervisors

and workers was set up to discuss the possibilities and the arrangements were worked out.

The agreement worked out between the company and the Imperial Printing employees gives both sides the right to terminate the plan if it appears unworkable from the company standpoint or undesirable from a majority of the workers.

Imperial employees start work at 6:55 a.m. and work to 11:55 a.m., when they take a half-hour lunch. The afternoon schedule runs from 12:25 to 5:25 p.m. There is a 10 minute coffee break in the morning.

Production employees would be finished Thursday evening and would have a three-day weekend.

The plan went into effect last week, but production requirements demanded overtime work. Workers were able to quit earlier on Saturday.

Companies that have adopted the four-day work week report a cut in turnover, absenteeism and tardiness and, a definite increase in production and worker morale.

Mrs. Dwan envisioned the four-day week would be a boon to the part time workers who want only a couple days of work each week for a variety of reasons. While regular production people would end their week on Thursday evening Imperial presses could keep running Friday and Saturday with part-time workers. Mrs. Dwan noted some retirees would welcome an opportunity to work one or two days a week.

Only production workers get the four-day week. The office and sales group will continue on the five-day schedule.



WHAT TO DO WEEKENDS? — Three Imperial Printing Co. employees discuss what they plan to do with an extra day off after the St. Joseph firm adopted the four-day, 40 hour work week. The three are from left Elmer Stillaway, supervisor of the rotary department; Gene Metz, bindery supervisor and Geraldine Sample, bindery department. ((Staff photo))

Committee Named To Locate Galien Sewage Plant Site

GALIEN — Village President Robert James last night named a committee to locate property for a proposed sewage treatment plant.

Village trustees Jack Canfield, Rex Hinman and Richard Renbarger were instructed by the president to find at least 20 acres for the plant. They were asked, in particular, to investigate a 40-acre parcel on Second street, about two miles east of

the village. The village is proposing to build a sewage treatment system at a cost of \$531,000.

In other business, the council made its committee assignments for next year. They are: Street commission, Richard Renbarger, chairman; Rex Hinman and Paul Warner.

Sidewalk commission, Hinman, chairman; Renbarger and Jack

Canfield. Sidewalk commission, Raymond Backus, chairman; Harold Sheeley and Canfield.

Building and lot permits, Sheeley, chairman, Canfield and Backus.

Backus was named mayor pro-tem.

The council agreed to issue a building permit to Geraldine Much, proprietor of the Lamp Post Inn on Main street, as soon as she receives permission from

the state health department. She wishes to put an awning over the sidewalk in front of her business. The council refused permission for posts from the awning to the sidewalk.

The council thanked the Jack Post Corp. of Gallien for donating a flag to drape the coffin of Robert Galaske, part-time village police officer who died in an automobile accident on May 14.



GAVEL GOES WITH HIM: Atty. Lester Page, retiring president of the Benton Harbor board of education, displays plaque presented to him last night by school administrators and fellow board members at retirement dinner at Berrien Hills Country Club. Other retiring board members honored were (from left) Thomas Alford and Atty. James Nettleton. The three did not seek re-election. Page has been a member of the Benton Harbor board since consolidation of 1965. ((Staff photo))